

Resolution authorizing the settlement of a claim for damage to a 2008 Ford Crown Victoria Franklin County Sheriff's Office patrol division vehicle (Sheriff's Office) (\$11,526.00)

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2009, Franklin County Sheriff's Office Patrol Division vehicle (7039), driven by Deputy Brandon Walls, was involved in an auto accident; and

WHEREAS, the operator of car 7039 was traveling southbound on South High Street; and

WHEREAS, Ericka Reese made a left hand turn from Alcott Road onto South High Street in a 2001 Ford Explorer, failed to control, a violation of Ohio Revised Code Sec. 2131.33(a), thereby turning into the path of car 7039 and caused severe and total damage to car 7039, from the impact car 7039 traveled off the roadway striking a home at 2724 South High Street; and

WHEREAS, Grange Insurance, the automobile insurance carrier for Daniel Reese, the vehicle owner, has offered to pay eleven thousand five hundred twenty six and 00/100 dollars (\$11,526.00) to the Franklin County Commissioners, Franklin County Sheriff's Office and the Department of Fleet Management, for the property damage to car 7039 and in settlement of the property damage portion of this claim; and

WHEREAS, Franklin County Commissioners will retain title to the salvage vehicle; and

WHEREAS, Grange Insurance has settled all property damage claims filed for the home at 2724 South High Street; and

WHEREAS, the above described settlement was recommended by Fleet Management, and fairly compensates for the property damage to car 7039; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners deems it to be in the best interest to accept the same in full settlement of the property damage claim; and

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO;

1. That the above-referenced settlement in the amount of eleven thousand five hundred twenty six and 00/100 dollars (\$11,526.00) is in the best interest of the Franklin County Commissioners, Franklin County Sheriff's Office and the Department of Fleet Management and the same is hereby approved.
2. That upon receipt of eleven thousand five hundred twenty six and 00/100 dollars (\$11,526.00) from Grange Insurance, the above-referenced property damage claim shall be settled between Ericka Reese, their successors and assigns, and/or their heirs, executors and administrators, and also any and all other persons, associations, and corporations who may be jointly severally liable to the Franklin County Commissioners and the Department of Fleet Management. This settlement does not release Grange Insurance and/or Ericka Reese or their agents or assigns from liability for damage to the person of Deputy Walls or damage to the property of the owner of 2724 South High Street or to any other property or person. (Only liability for the property damage to the vehicle herein identified is subject to release.)

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